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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1900.

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PRICE, \$2.50 Per Month.

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W. S. BAILEY & CO.,

ENGINEERS AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

Steam and Hand Pumps,

Drilling Machines,

Weston's Chain Blocks,

Engine and Boiler Mountings,

Ship Telegraphs,

Deck and Engine-Room Stores

of every description.

THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR W. S. BAILEY & CO.
ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING WORKS.

Business Notices.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED,

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(NEAR THE ENGINEERS' INSTITUTE).

PACKING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,
BOILER COMPOSITION,
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ALWAYS KEPT IN STOCK
ALL ARTICLES OF FIRST-CLASS QUALITY.

BRADLEY & Co., Managers.
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WHITE AND COLORED.

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Football Season.

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EXTRA DRY CHAMPAGNE,

Agents: SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Business Notices.

WATKINS' AERATED WATERS.

SODA,
LEMONADE,
TONIC,
GINGER ALE,
SARSAPARILLA,
KOLA,
CINCHONA TONIC



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LITHIA,
POTASH,
GINGER ALE,
RASPBERRY,
ADE,
Etc., Etc.

PURE AND SPARKLING.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

Portland Cement.

In casks of 375 lbs net \$5.00 per cask, ex Factory.
In bags of 250 lbs net \$3.00 per bag, ex Factory.

Factories—HONGKONG AND MACAO.

Glazed Stoneware, Drain Pipes and Fittings, Glazed
Paving Bricks and Tiles, Fire Bricks and Fire Clay.

FIRE CLAY WORKS.—DEEP WATER BAY, HONGKONG.

For further particulars, apply to

Shewan, Tomes & Co.,

GENERAL AGENTS.

Pianoforte Tuning, Repairing, Etc.

Having secured the Services of two most Reliable Men for the above purpose (at a great Expense) we are now prepared to receive additional Annual and Single Tunings, etc., and guarantee entire satisfaction.
We may say that these men have had extensive experience in Cape Colony and the Transvaal. Consequently they are conversant with the requirements necessary to instruments that come out to Tropical Climates.
Consult us before giving orders elsewhere.

SHAW, ROBERTSON & CO.,
MUSICAL DEPARTMENT.

CHAS. HEIDSIECK'S

CHAMPAGNES:

WHITE SEAL (1393-VINTAGE).

CACHET IMPERIAL (Extra Dry, Gout American)

SIEMSEN & CO.,

SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA AND JAPAN.

PARIS EXHIBITION, 1900.

THE GRAND PRIZE

For Scotch Whisky

HAS BEEN AWARDED TO

JOHN DEWAR & SONS, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS:

H. PRICE & Co.,
12, QUEEN'S ROAD.

W. POWELL & CO.

LADIES' HAT CASES,

CABIN TRUNKS,

GLADSTONE BAGS, Etc.

43, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, September 11, 1900.

MANILA CIGARS,

ALWAYS ON HAND THE BEST MARKS FROM
"LA INSULAR" AND "LA PERLA DE ORIENTE" FACTORIES.

J. M. DE ZUNIGA,

Entrance by Lee House Street, (New Victoria Hotel).

HOCKS and MOSELLES.

Direct from and bottled by

DEINHARD & Co., Coblentz.

OPPENHEIMER

LAUBENHEIM

NIERSTEIN

GRABNER (Superior)

BODENTHAL

HOCHHEIMER

SPARKLING MOSELLE (Green Label)

SPARKLING HOCK (Black Label)

LIBRAUMILCH



Messrs. DEINHARD & Co. have presented 1,000 bottles of their Sparkling Hock to the German troops proceeding to China, which were graciously accepted by the GERMAN EMPEROR.

CALBECK, MACDONALD & Co.,
Sole Agents.

Peak Hotel.

CITY OFFICE,
7, DUNDRELL STREET.

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN.

PUNKET'S GAP, THE PEAK,
near the TRAM TERMINUS. Telephone 56.
For Terms,
Apply to the MANAGER.

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

*GLENWOOD,
21 CAINE ROAD, near the Italian Convent.

COMFORTABLY-FURNISHED Rooms, Single
or in Suite.

Mrs. GILLANDERS.
Hongkong, October 2, 1900. 2040

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28 & 29, LEE YUEN STREET (WEST),
HONGKONG.

DEALER IN

All Sorts of COPPER, BRASS, STEEL,

IRON WARE, &c.

Suitable for

SHIPS, ENGINEERS AND HOUSE BUILDERS.

Hongkong, May 29, 1900. 1227

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

AT THE BATHING SHED, KOWLOON.

SATURDAY NEXT, 6th OCTOBER, at

4.15 p.m. Sharp.

200 yards' INVITATION SWIMMING

HANDICAP.

Competitors:—A. A. ALVES (200-yds

Champion of the Colony), A. E. ALVES

(V.P.C. 100 yards Champion), H. E.

MOON, C. GREGORY, R.W.P., W. A.

STORANI, and N. H. ALVES.

2 lengths' members' Handicap.

and

Water Polo Game, PORTUGAL versus

Tue Res.

Admission—Non-Members 50 cents;

Soldiers, Sailors and Boys, Half-Price.

Hongkong, October 3, 1900. 2050

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON

WHARF AND GODOWN

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that

the Premium of \$25.00 per SHARE of

the NEW ISSUE of CAPITAL Authorized

at the Extraordinary General Meeting of

the Company held on 4th May, 1900, is

PAYABLE on or before MONDAY, the

1st of October Next.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-

pany will be CLOSED from the 27th to

the 28th instant, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 21, 1900. 1858

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY

GENERAL MEETING of SHARE-

HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of

METZLER

HIGH CLASS ENGLISH PIANOS.

\$450, Payable in one year. Tuning Free.

Net Cash \$400.

Second PIANOS returned from Hire in good order. Very

low Prices to make Room for New Stock.

The Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.

Absolutely Guaranteed.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

—PRICKLY HEAT LOTION.

THE ONLY EFFECTUAL REMEDY FOR ALLAYING THE IRRITATION.

DAKIN'S SINGLE SEIDLITZ.

A MOST AGREEABLE AND EFFECTIVE EFFERVESCENT APERIENT.

CAMPENOL.

UNEQUALLED FOR USE IN THE BATH AS A PREVENTATIVE AGAINST PRICKLY HEAT.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NEW ISSUE SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified

that the SECOND CALL of \$3.00

(THREE DOLLARS) per SHARE has

been made and is PAYABLE at the

Company's Office, No. 4, Queen's Buildings,

on or before 1st November, 1900.

Shareholders are requested when Paying

the above-mentioned Call to send to the

Company's Agents their provisional Share

certificates for endorsement.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 29, 1900. 2019

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY,

LIMITED.

TENDERS are invited for the ALLOT-

ment of the UNPAID BALANCE of

NEW SHARES (4104 SHARES), DOLLARS

Five per SHARE Paid-up, PAYABLE on

the 1st November, 1900.

Tenders will be received up to the 20th

of October. No Tenders under seal will

be considered, and the Allotment will be

made preferably to Shareholders.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 29, 1900. 2020

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

MR. A. BACK'S FURNITURE STORE

will be REMOVED to Des Vaux

Road, New Point, opposite the Offices of

the P. and O. S. N. Co., on or about the

30th inst.

Owing to the decorations not being com-

plete, business will not be transacted at the

new building for two or three weeks, but

will be resumed at an early date. Custom-

ers are respectfully requested to call at

or send communications to Nos. 27 and 28,

LEE YUEN STREET EAST, their temporary

Store.

Hongkong, September 27, 1900. 1997

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

NEITHER the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS,

nor the Owners of the British Str.

"ADATO," will be RESPONSIBLE for

any Debt Contracted by the Officers, En-

gineers or Crew during the Steamer's stay

in Hongkong Harbour.

Hongkong, October 3, 1900. 2049

TEBRAC PLANTING COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FINAL

CALL of \$1.00 per SHARE has

been made in Respect of the Shares not

fully Paid-up, and that such CALL is

PAYABLE on 5th October next, to the

Undersigned at the Registered Offices of

the Company, 28 and 40 Queen's Road

Central, Hongkong.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, September 4, 1900. 1846

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that as from

the 1st October, 1900, Mr. HENRY

PERCY WHITE has been admitted into

PARTNERSHIP by the Undersigned.

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, October 1, 1900. 2032

NOTICE.

MR. R. LENZMANN has This Day

been authorized to SIGN our FIRM

by procuration.

OARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong and Canton, Oct. 3, 1900. 2014

SANITARY BOARD

OWNERS of HOUSES Situated in the

Central Division of the City of Vic-

torian, and in the Western Division of

Kowloon, who have not had their Premises

Lime-washed and Cleaned in accordance

with Law, are reminded that the period

during which the work should be finished

ends on the 31st day of October, 1900, and

the Sanitary Board, being convinced of

the necessity of Cleanliness in its efforts to

Stamp out Plague, is determined to rigor-

ously prosecute any owner in default after

the above-named Date.

The Central Division of the City lies

between Garden Road on the East, and

and Morrison Street and East Street on the

West. The Western Division of Kowloon

is all that Part of the Kowloon Peninsula

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
Nook—Hongkong Mar. leaves for San Francisco.

Meeting.
4 p.m.—Cynical Meeting at the Happy Valley, Race Course.

Miscellaneous.
3 p.m.—Spoon Competition of Hongkong Rifle Association.

Goods for Malacca undelivered after this date, subject to rent.

General Memoranda.
SUNDAY, October 7:—
9 a.m.—Hawaii excursion to Macao.

MONDAY, October 8:—
Goods per Lano undelivered before Noon, subject to rent.

Goods per Sarina, undelivered after this date, subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, October 10:—
Goods per Odenburg undelivered after this date, subject to rent.

THURSDAY, October 11:—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., at No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

6 p.m.—Meeting of St. Mary Magdalene Chapter.

SATURDAY, October 13:—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.

WEDNESDAY, October 17:—
Final Call of 50 Cents on B. Shares of the Olivers Fresh Milk, Limited.

THURSDAY, October 18:—
Noon—Meeting of Shareholders of the China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

TUESDAY, November 1:—
Second Call of 50 per Share of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., due.

Opium Quotations.
Hongkong, October 5, 1900.

New Patna, cash, 980
Old Patna, cash, 987 1/2

New Benares, cash, 810/820
Old Benares, cash, 810/820

New Malwa, credit, 840/850
Old Malwa, credit, 840/850

Allowance, Taels, 1/1 city
Allowance, Taels, 1/1 city

Persian, Oily, cash, 880/890
Persian, Taels, 880/890

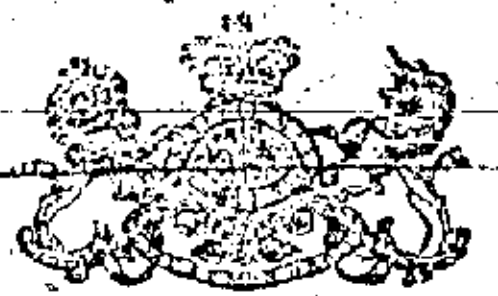
Persian, Paper tied long, 880/890
Allowance, Taels, 880/890

- Now Ready -

Yellow Dragon.

No. 1, Vol. II.

Copies may be had at 'China Mail' Office.
Price, 10 Cents.



A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

Established A.D. 1841.

SCOTCH WHISKY.

D. & Co. Ltd.

A.—THORNE'S BLEND, White
Capsule, 10.50

B.—WATSON'S GLENROCHY,
MELLOW BLEND, Blue
Capsule, with Name and
Trade Mark, 10.50

C.—WATSON'S ABELLOUR,
GLENLIVET, Red Cap-
sule, with Name and Trade
Mark, 12.00

D.—WATSON'S H.E.D. BLEND
OF THE FINEST SCOTCH
MALT WHISKIES, Vic-
let Capsule, 14.40

E.—WATSON'S VERY OLD
LIQUEUR SCOTCH
WHISKY, Gold Capsule, 15.00

THORNE'S BLEND and WATSON'S
GLENROCHY are high-class Soda Whis-
kies, of greater age than most brands in
the Market.

ABELLOUR-GLENLIVET is very old
Peat Whisky, (smoky) and could not now
be replaced in stock at the price.

D is well known for its fine flavour.

E is of superb quality and pronoun-
ced by leading local connoisseurs to be
the best brand in the Hongkong market.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

DIED.

At Foochow, 1 p.m., on the 3rd Instant,
ARTHUR WALKERLEY WALKERLEY, aged
61. Deeply regretted. Highly respected.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 5.45 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1900.

Editorial Comment.

One phase of the present
political situation in China
is likely to lead to trouble.

IN THE SOUTH. It is believed that the
Reformers, against whom
the whole force of the Dowager Empress
was hurled, and in whose temporary down-
fall the Emperor came to grief, are now
eager to take action. This desire on the
part of the Reformers, which apparently
became evident at Wuchang or Hankow as
a very inappropriate time, appears to have
driven the Viceroy Chang Ching-tung to
adopt extreme measures, and heeded several
Chinese who were Reformers so-called.

An idea now pervades the province of
Kwangtung that now is the time to take
action; and if the Reform Party accurately
appraises the apparent tendency to
disorder shown by the Allied Powers, there
may be some reason to dread the return
of the Reactionary Party to power
(with the bloody Empress Dowager at its
head). But would it not be well for the
Reformers to pause? The slight signs of
hesitation as to the Empress Dowager's re-
instatement are worth noting. Her day
is done, and her power is once for all at an
end—whatever Russia and Li Hung-chang
may do for her. An important portion of
the programme of the Allied Powers is, to
break the power of the anti-foreign party,
and to encourage the reforms for favouring
which the real Emperor was deposed. It is,
therefore, to the interest of all the loyal
Reformers to work in unison with the
Allied Powers, instead of giving trouble
before the time. It may be alleged that the
threatened rebellion in the South of China
is confined to the anti-Manchu secret societies.
And so it may be. But an uneasy feeling
is abroad, and many who are supposed to
know dread any overt opposition on the
part of the Reformers, or any section of
the Reform party, at the present time.

It would be well, we think, if some
steps were taken by the Reform
leaders to restrain any premature action for
the present, and await events. The civil-
ized world is now bent upon seeing that
the reforms which began in 1898, and
culminated in the Peking and other horrors
of this year. But it must also be remem-
bered that the Western Powers have
pledged themselves to restore order, as well
as to punish offenders and initiate reforms.
If, therefore, the Reformers—and their
followers insist upon an active show of
force against the present rulers in the pro-
vinces, they will not only embarrass the
Allied Powers in their efforts to introduce
reforms into the administration of China,
but they will probably bring ruin upon
themselves. A word to the wise, etc.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Yellow Dragon.

The School magazine of Queen's College
appears in a new guise this month, the
counterfeit presentment of the emblem of
Chinese authority which has decorated the
cover in past numbers being superseded by
a bold representation of the fabulous mon-
ster from which the magazine takes its title.

The number commences a new volume, and
the editor in an encouraging note hopes it
will surpass its predecessor. The profit on
the first volume has been utilized for the
most commendable purpose of encouraging
the boys in their efforts to introduce
reforms into the administration of China,
but they will probably bring ruin upon
themselves. A word to the wise, etc.

The Bears in China.
The wily composer had us again last
night in the announcement in our special
telegram that two thousand Bears attacked
two battalions of the Allies near Peking.

The Doughers have turned up unexpectedly
in many places of late and only a week ago
we heard of two thousand of the worthy
Dutchmen at Lorenzo Marques. It is a far
brok, however, from Delagoa Bay to the
capital of the Middle Kingdom, although
we have transported a goodly number of
our stubborn enemies a few thousands of
miles on the journey, in landing them at
Colombo. Were it not for the fact that our
compositors even unto the pig-tailed
representative of his Satanic Majesty were
reformers of the most advanced type, we
would be inclined to the belief that they
were hatching a deeply laid scheme to create
disunion among the Allies and prevent the
further progress of the punitive expedi-
tions. There being no adequate excuse for
these errors beyond the carelessness of the
type, we can only offer our excuses to our
readers, and seek comfort for ourselves in
the thought that though our troubles in
China are great there is no place on this
earth—

Where the compositors cease from bugging,
and the Editor is at rest.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

The Cable Companies intimate that all
Japanese lines are now restored.

A boy who stole a jacket from a small-
footed sewing woman was ordered, to-day,
to receive twelve strokes with the birch.

The two coolies charged with the
murder of a coolie at the China Sugar
Works, last month, have been committed
for trial.

A Bad One Caught.
A Chinaman was seen last night bend-
ing over a drunk bluejacket and rifling his
pockets. A luktong arrested him and found
him to be possessed of burglar's tools both
on his person and in his house. He was
ordered to suffer three weeks' imprison-
ment.

Union Church Sunday School.
The Sunday School will be reopened
on October 7th, at 4 p.m., when an address
will be given by the Pastor of the Church.
Parents are urged to co-operate with the
Superintendent and Teachers by having all
Children present on the Opening Day.

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YE CHRONICLES OF YE CITY BY THE SEA.

And behold, as the years rolled on, men,
manners and things underwent mighty
changes in the City by the Sea, but the
methods of government remained in the old
beaten track, which like the roads of the
Celestial Empire contained deep rutts which
it was easier to follow than to stem the
Governmental team by an attempt to pull
the Coach of State on to a smoother ground,
an attempt which would involve much mend-
ing of harness, and greasing of axles, which
had croaked along without attention for
years; for each teamster said to himself,
'Wherefore should I do this, my pension
is secure anyhow, and the man on the box
seal will take all the credit, and will care
naught for me or my friends!'

And it came to pass that the new School
of Physicians had made researches and had
discovered an organism which existed and
had been cultivated in all Government
Offices allied to the Celestial or Annapolis,
which fed upon old musty records and red
tape, and whose work was bitten or lu-
culated by this organism developed the
melody of seeing 'mountains with one
eye, mole-hills with the other (which
came to be known as the Crown Co-
lonial red tape worse disease), often ac-
companied with aggravated symptoms of
swelled head, especially after a visit to the
dominions of the Queen of Victory and
lengthened interviews with Under Secre-
taries and permanent officials of the Co-
lonial Department.

And so far no cure had been discovered
by the Physicians for this malady which,
together with the bubonic plague, had
established itself in the City, at times
raging with extreme virulence, especially
when any proposal was made tending to
improve the lot of the citizens or to im-
pose increased efficiency on the public ser-
vice.

And it came to pass that wars broke out
in various parts of the dominions of the
Great Queen, and the City by the Sea be-
ing a great storehouse and coaling station,
enquiries were set on foot by the citizens
as to the measure of defences which had
been provided for them by the Ministers
of the Great Queen in consideration of the
many talents of gold furnished by the
City, and which had to be purchased
on a constantly falling silver exchange
owing to the interested folly of Ministers
contracting debts in gold to be paid for in
depreciative silver, the current medium of
the City and the neighbouring Empire with
which it did much trade.

And lo! it was discovered that in spite
of the many promises made as to the arm-
ing of the great forts with the modern
guns of power, descendants of Annapolis had
been sent to the Celestial Empire, and in-
telligence for it was found that no mo-
dern guns were in the forts, and this had
to be acknowledged in the Parliament of the
Great Queen.

And the law was very strict, no citizen
being permitted to visit the forts, but a
Committee of Defence under a famous
ruler, had been formed, containing civilian
citizens, so that they could assure the people
all was well; but the existence of this
Committee was ignored and soon forgotten
by all but a few of the people who had per-
manent interests in the Colony.

Now the civilian officials and the military
both hated to have citizens to know what
was going on. And when trouble arose
with the Northern portion of the Celestial
Empire, the citizen volunteers had to be
deprived of their poor antiquated M.L.
seven-pounder guns to send with the
soldiers of which the City was denuded,
to rescue the Minister of the Great Queen
who was besieged in his Legation by the
savage hordes of the 'unruly Manchu
woman.

And it was discovered that the City,
though called a great Arsenal, was destitute
of coal, guns, and supplies, and a feeling
of right to justice spread among the people,
and stories of risings amongst the Celestials
in the city and the territory were rife, yet
Government prevented the people going
armed by rigorous statutes, and rained the
arms trade to the great benefit of cities
of other nations.

Now some citizens said, 'Government
was right, and others said 'they were
wrong,' but the Government never chose
to give an inkling of their reasons for so doing,
which would have played sore feeling, if at
all reasonable; and much nonsense was
talked by officials in private, but they had
not much knowledge of business outside of
obstruction. And the Home Government
shirked their manifest duty.

Now full details of everything necessary
for them to know had been forwarded to
the Home Government by private Associa-
tions and Chambers of Commerce, warning
them what would and did happen as they
predicted, but they shut their ears and
would not pay any attention to more
advertisers, who therefore sold their ships.

And the poets remarked that the
obnoxious substance had mingled with the
calorie, and chaos was the result, together
with smoke fireworks and the spending of
many millions.

Ministers smoothed the people by saying
'there are good aspects.'

This is always successful, with a pen-
sionable ungrateful people who are much given
to discount chances.

And to distract the attention of the
people the Ministers of the Great Queen
disseminated the rumour saying the ques-
tion is, 'Have we done well or ill in the

matter of the Republic of the Southern
Cross, well knowing there was only one
answer possible for the people to give, but
it was necessary to import new brains into
the Council of the Empire and to drop and
reward those who were worn out by the
strain.

This should have been done sooner, but
under the Party system principles had de-
parted from politics and people recalled
the words of the great Leader from the
Castle of the Field of Hata, and it was seen
that he never had believed in political
principles, but only in expediency, as the
people of the City knew to their cost. For
the City had never before been ruled to
such disadvantage.

And piracy, rapine, outrage and mur-
der, also insults to our Flag, increased
in the neighbouring Empire and on
the rivers thereof, on the River of Pearls
and the Rivers of the North and of the
West where steam craft of the Citizens were
frequently attacked and pirated, yet no-
thing was done save firing at mud banks,
though there were small fighting craft in
plenty available.

And the rulers of the three-coloured flag
nation sent their gunboats and sought cause
for interference though their interests were
but small, but they said one to another
Johnny is so absorbed by South African
affairs, trouble in Ashanti, and elsewhere
that he has forgotten about the City by
the Sea, and his people do not know his
importance. Behold our opportunity!

And there was no statesman with any
grasp of the situation on the spot.

For the notorious Viceroy Li was re-
ceived in the City and spoke honeyed words
to the Bulwark, but the subjects of the Great
Queen in the far North would have naught
to say to him, for they remembered Su-
chow and the years that followed, and
many of them were well versed in all that
took place in the Viceroyal Yamen at Tien-
tsin, for money could buy the information,
and there was much at stake.

And behold the great Steelcraft returned
from his farlough campaign tour, but the
people did not enthuse over the return,
for the loom tenses, with a name like
unto the sweet-smelling Hawthorn, had
held the balance and pulled hard so that
the great flatterer of the foreign commu-
nity, whose speech was like unto the feel
of the witch-hazel or the Balm of Gilead,
had been nearly forgotten by the bulk of the
people except for reminders in the public
prints, but there were some among the for-
eigners who said 'Hodi nahi cras tibi,'
and these had not forgotten the words of
the High Priest—'Magna est veritas et
prevalebit,' spoken when the black shadow
of

